

## EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

### RECOGNIZING THE NIGHTINGALE AWARD WINNERS FOR THEIR DEDICATION TO NURSING

#### HON. JASON CROW

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, November 3, 2021*

Mr. CROW. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor twelve Colorado nurses who have gone above and beyond the call of duty and been recognized by the Colorado Nurses Foundation (CNF) with the Nightingale Award for working tirelessly to advance the nursing profession, improve quality and access to care, and positively impact their communities.

The CNF has dedicated itself to creating a sustainable health care system for our community and the entire state of Colorado. Throughout their decades of work, and especially during the COVID-19 pandemic, they have continued to work tirelessly to advance their vision of a more diverse, inclusive, and equitable care environment for Colorado nurses and the people they serve. CNF offers scholarships, funds research projects, runs educational initiatives, and makes a concerted effort to recognize nurses who make a difference in the profession.

To this end, CNF hosts the Nightingale Gala each year to recognize pioneers in nursing from across the state who have continuously pushed the boundaries of their profession. This year, the Foundation recognized twelve exemplary nurses who went to great lengths to serve their community by finding innovative solutions to problems like expanding telehealth, combatting sexual assault, and large-scale vaccine administration.

These nurses made a profound difference in our community, and I am proud to recognize the twelve Nightingale Award winners:

Jenifer Bartel, RN, BSN from Parkview Medical Center

Kathy Casey, RN, PHD from Denver Health  
Jennifer Coffman, RN, MSN, JD from Children's Hospital Colorado

Christina Denton, RN MSN from UC Health  
Amy Dreher, RN, BSN, MPH from Falcon School District 49

Brian Fun, RN, BSN from Denver Health Medical Center

Catherine Kleiner, RN, PhD from Children's Hospital Colorado

Stacey Kreil, RN, DNP from Centura Penrose-St. Francis Health Services

Dixie Melton, RN, MSN from Centura Health Ignacio Family Medicine

Laura Sandoval-Adams, RN, BSN from Parkview Health System

Rosalyn Walker, RN, MSN from Centura Health St. Thomas More Hospital

Lori Wightman, RN, DNP from SCL Health.

The work and sacrifice by nurses in our community has taken on a whole new meaning these past few years. From twelve-hour shifts, to being forced to isolate from loved ones—nurses have held our community together while enduring enormous personal

costs. Still, these nurses have overcome seemingly insurmountable challenges to pioneer breakthroughs in their profession.

Our community is forever indebted to these heroes, and I am honored to have the opportunity to recognize the twelve Nightingale Award winners as well as thank the Colorado Nurses Foundation for their dedication to advancing the nursing profession and keeping our community healthy and safe.

### IN MEMORY OF GEORGE CAMPBELL

#### HON. ANDY BARR

OF KENTUCKY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, November 3, 2021*

Mr. BARR. Madam Speaker, I rise to honor the life of a great American, George B. Campbell. Mr. Campbell lived in Winchester, Kentucky and passed away on October 21, 2021.

George Campbell was a proud veteran of the United States Army, enlisting in 1968. He served our nation with honor in Vietnam, where he was awarded the National Defense Service Medal, the Vietnam Service Medal, the Good Conduct Medal, and the Vietnam Campaign Medal. After his time in the military, Mr. Campbell enrolled in Georgetown College where he met his wife Rosemary. They were married for 47 years and have 2 sons, Jeff and Chris, and four grandchildren. Mr. Campbell worked as a civil servant with the Department of Defense. He retired after a 30-plus year distinguished career as the Chief of Operations Division for Special Operations Forces Support Activity at Bluegrass Station.

Mr. Campbell had a passion and a gift for serving others. On a trip to the Vietnam Wall Memorial in 2011, he observed a group from an Honor Flight from Chicago. Upon speaking with a medic from the group and several veterans and guardians, he learned more about the Honor Flight organization and its profound impact on our nation's veterans. Returning home, he became the co-founder of Honor Flight Kentucky. He was very active as a board member, officer, Ambassador and Flight Coordinator. Mr. Campbell's work with Honor Flight brought joy, comradery, and a renewed sense of pride to hundreds of Kentucky veterans. I came to know Mr. Campbell when I was given the opportunity to participate in Honor Flight Kentucky activities and I am grateful to Mr. Campbell for allowing me to be involved.

Faith was a guiding light in the life of this humble servant leader. Mr. Campbell was a parishioner of Saint Joseph Catholic Church, where he was an active member and played guitar for Sunday mass. He volunteered at the Troy Bowling Campus of the Lexington VA Healthcare System and at various other charitable organizations.

George Campbell was a true patriot, a follower of Christ, a family man, and an inspiration to all who were fortunate enough to know

him. While he will be missed, he leaves behind a legacy of service that will continue. It was my honor to call him my friend and it is my honor to lift up the life of George B. Campbell before the United States Congress.

### HOMETOWN HERO—BANDS

#### HON. BETH VAN DUYNE

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, November 3, 2021*

Ms. VAN DUYNE. Madam Speaker, I rise today to acknowledge the hard work and dedication of three TX 24 high schools: Colleyville Heritage High School, Keller High School and Carroll High School and their band directors Gary Barnard, Mark McGahey and Ken Johnson. These three high school marching bands have excelled, in showmanship and technical ability this year. Last weekend, they advanced to the state championship, which will be held over the next two weeks.

I thank our students for representing North Texas, and their dedication and years of hard work. I also thank their band directors who spend their careers teaching and enriching the lives of students. I wish them the best in their upcoming performance and congratulate them on all of their hard work paying off.

### IN HONOR OF TED BASSETT

#### HON. ANDY BARR

OF KENTUCKY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, November 3, 2021*

Mr. BARR. Madam Speaker, I rise to honor the life of a great Kentuckian, James E. "Ted" Bassett III. Mr. Bassett was born in Lexington, Kentucky on October 26, 1921, one hundred years ago. Mr. Bassett is universally well-respected and one of our finest citizens.

Ted Bassett graduated from Yale in the early 1940's. Soon after that, he was deployed to the South Pacific as a member of the United States Marine Corps. He served as an infantry officer in the 4th Marine Regiment, 6th Marine Division. Mr. Bassett led a rifle platoon during the Battle of Okinawa. He was twice wounded and received the Purple Heart and the Presidential Unit Citation. Mr. Bassett credits his service as a U.S. Marine with being the "most meaningful phase" of his life. He is the epitome of an American patriot. Humble in his valor, his love of our country is unmatched.

Following WWII, Mr. Bassett worked as a newsprint salesman in New York, a tobacco farmer in Kentucky, Deputy Commissioner for the Department of Public Safety, and director of the Kentucky State Police. In 1968, he became involved with Keeneland Association as an assistant to President Louis L. Haggin, II. He went on to become President, Chairman of the Board, Trustee, and Trustee Emeritus of Keeneland, where his tenure extends for 53

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years. During his time at Keeneland, the track became one of the most prominent thoroughbred racetracks in North America. Keeneland's sales grew incredibly, and it became a major international auction house.

Mr. Bassett's leadership continued as President of the Breeder's Cup, the Thoroughbred Racing Association, and the Thoroughbred Club of America. He served as a member of The Jockey Club as well as a Trustee of the National Museum of Racing and Hall of Fame, the University of Kentucky Equine Research Foundation, and Transylvania University. Mr. Bassett is undoubtedly one of the most respected figures in the thoroughbred industry. In 1996, he received an Eclipse Award of Merit for his contributions and in 2019 was inducted into the Racing Hall of Fame.

Mr. Bassett is a generous philanthropist in the central Kentucky area. He has a true love of people and would be as comfortable talking with the President of the United States or the Queen of England as he is talking with the staff at Keeneland. Ted Bassett is an incredible patriot, a legend in the thoroughbred industry, a selfless individual, and a shining example to us all. I have been honored to know him all of my life and it is my honor to recognize this great American patriot before the United States Congress on his 100th birthday.

#### PERSONAL EXPLANATION

### HON. SCOTT FITZGERALD

OF WISCONSIN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, November 3, 2021*

Mr. FITZGERALD. Madam Speaker, due to unforeseen circumstances, I was unable to be recorded for votes on Monday, November 1, 2021. Had I been present, I would have voted NAY on rollcall No. 340, and NAY on rollcall No. 341.

#### RECOGNIZING THE ATLANTA BRAVES ORGANIZATION FOR WINNING THE 2021 MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL WORLD SERIES

### HON. BARRY LOUDERMILK

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, November 3, 2021*

Mr. LOUDERMILK. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the Atlanta Braves organization for winning the 2021 Major League Baseball World Series. On November 2, 2021, with a 7–0 victory in game 6 over the Houston Astros, the Atlanta Braves became World Series Champions for the first time since 1995.

This team is an inspiration to every single Braves fan. A team of destiny. The team was 88–73 and was under .500 as recently as August. At one point in the season, the team had single digit odds to make the playoffs. As they seemed to hit every speed bump and roadblock along the way, very few believed they stood a chance; but every member of the team believed. Some players, such as Dansby Swanson, are locals; others, such as Ronald Acuña Jr., come from across the globe. Freddie Freeman has spent his entire career with the organization, while others are new to

the team. Each of their families sacrificed special moments while the team trained and played across the Major League.

The Braves defeated the Milwaukee Brewers, 3 games to 1, in the National League Division Series. The Braves then faced their foe from the 2020 National League Championship Series, the Los Angeles Dodgers. After having back to back walk-off victories in that series, the Braves beat the Dodgers, 4 games to 2, and won the National League Championship Series. Eddie Rosario, one of the newest additions to the Braves family, was selected as the 2021 NLCS Most Valuable Player.

The Braves began the World Series taking a game 1 victory over the Houston Astros, and went on to win the series, 4 games to 2. New Braves legend, Jorge Soler, was selected as the 2021 World Series Most Valuable Player after hitting 3 home runs in the series and being the first player in Major League Baseball history to hit a home run in the first plate appearance of a World Series.

Alex Anthopoulos joined the Braves organization in 2017 as the Executive Vice President and General Manager, later being elevated to the President of Baseball Operations. He was previously part of the Los Angeles Dodgers, Toronto Blue Jays, and Montreal Expos. Alex Anthopoulos masterfully navigated the off season by adding Pablo Sandoval, Ehire Adrianza, Guillermo Heredia, and Charlie Morton. After the devastating loss of Ronald Acuña Jr. to injury, Alex Anthopoulos made critical additions to the roster, acquiring Joc Peterson, Adam Duvall, Jorge Soler, and Richard Rodriguez.

Manager Brian Snitker has been with the Atlanta Braves organization since 1977, and has been a player, Minor League manager, and manager of the Atlanta Braves. Brian Snitker is a devoted family man and has spent many days away from his family mentoring players, many of whom he has watched grow into young men. Through his guidance, this team has become an inspiration to Braves fans, and to every young athlete watching them play.

The Braves won the World Series with the dedication of team members: Freddie Freeman, Ian Anderson, Jesse Chavez, Max Fried, Luke Jackson, Dylan Lee, Chris Martin, Tyler Matzek, A.J. Minter, Charlie Morton, Will Smith, Drew Smyly, Kyle Wright, Travis d'Arnaud, William Contreras, Ehire Adrianza, Ozzie Albies, Orlando Arcia, Austin Riley, Dansby Swanson, Johan Camargo, Adam Duvall, Terrance Gore, Guillermo Heredia, Joc Pederson, Eddie Rosario, Jorge Soler, and Tucker Davidson.

The Braves would not have made it to the World Series without the efforts of those team members playing in the regular season, such as: Ronald Acuña Jr., Abraham Almonte, Grant Dayton, Shane Greene, Jasseel De La Cruz, Yoan López, Kyle Muller, Sean Newcomb, Richard Rodríguez, Mike Soroka, Spencer Strider, Josh Tomlin, Touki Toussaint, Jacob Webb, Huascar Ynoa, Chadwick Tromp, and Cristian Pache.

I thank Braves fans everywhere, for their passion and devotion to this team. They showed up to cheer from the stands, and stayed to celebrate in the Battery at Truist Park. Without each and every fan across this country, this would not have been possible. I thank each and every team member of Truist Park, the clubhouse, Minor League coaching staff, and support staff. Once again, the Atlanta Braves are America's team.

This is the moment that the city of Atlanta and Braves fans everywhere have been dreaming of for quite some time. The Atlanta Braves are, once again, World Series Champions! Go Braves.

#### PERSONAL EXPLANATION

### HON. JOSH GOTTHEIMER

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, November 3, 2021*

Mr. GOTTHEIMER. Madam Speaker, on Roll Call No. 350, on motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, I am not recorded because I was unavoidably detained. Had I been present, I would have voted YEA on Roll Call No. 350.

#### IN RECOGNITION OF NEAL K. TODD

### HON. DEAN PHILLIPS

OF MINNESOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, November 3, 2021*

Mr. PHILLIPS. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize and honor Navy Fireman First Class Neal Kenneth Todd, who served aboard the USS *Oklahoma*, and we lost on December 7, 1941, at Pearl Harbor.

A Minnesota native, born in the city of Akeley on November 5, 1919, Neal enlisted in the Navy just days before his 21st birthday in the fall of 1940, making him one of eight children of Irena Staffenhagen to serve in the armed forces. Each one of the children would return home safely, except for Neal, her fourth born.

Neal was assigned to the USS *Oklahoma* at Pearl Harbor in Honolulu where he served alongside his brother, Fireman First Class, Wesley Roland Todd. America was not yet at war, but on December 7, 1941, Neal would be among the first Americans to make the ultimate sacrifice in the largest conflict humanity has ever known. His brother barely survived the attack.

What makes his sacrifice even more crucial to recognize today is the time and effort it took to get here. On the day of the attack at Pearl Harbor, Neal and other sailors like him were considered missing for decades and presumed to be casualties. Over 400 crewmembers died on the USS *Oklahoma* alone. At the time, the U.S. military lacked the technological capacity to identify these individuals and return them home.

Until March 1942, when months later, Neal's mother was formally notified that he was missing in action and had likely perished, but his family was not offered the closure of a proper burial. Families like Neal's have been left in the dark for years, knowing that surely their brothers and sons would not be able to share another smile or embrace with them, but still wishing they could give one last goodbye.

Thanks to recent efforts by the Defense POW/MIA Accounting Agency started in 2015, along with the assistance of family members of the lost, DNA recognition and retrieval of remains from Pearl Harbor is finally possible. Neal Todd's identity was confirmed in February of this year, and this July, dozens of

members of his family welcomed him home to Minnesota along with a traditional water salute on the airstrip of Minneapolis-St. Paul Airport. Neal Todd was finally returned to his hometown of Akeley, Minnesota, 80 years after his death for a funeral service before being buried in his final resting place next to his mother and father.

I hope my fellow Members of Congress can join me in honoring Navy Fireman First Class Neal K. Todd and commend the efforts by the DOD and families like Neal's in bringing our honorable lost back home to rest. I thank them.

RECOGNIZING MR. JAMES "JIM"  
HAROLD RABBERS

**HON. FRED UPTON**

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, November 3, 2021*

Mr. UPTON. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the life of Mr. James "Jim" Harold Rabbers of Stevensville, Michigan who passed away on October 11, 2021.

Jim was a true Michigander through and through. He was a loving husband, and caring father and friend to all. Born and raised in Southwest Michigan, he attended Lakeshore High School and went on to attend Western Michigan University. After college, Jim went on to sell insurance and build warm relationships throughout the Stevensville community. He was a fan of all sports and had a special place in his heart for the Wolverines. He could talk sports all day long, but his real gift was forming friendships that stood the test of time.

Jim participated in sports throughout high school and played and officiated intramural sports in college. He even met the love of his life, Mary, playing softball and volleyball at St. Paul Lutheran Church. Mary had just come into town as a new teacher at a local school. The pair quickly bonded over their love of sports and competitive spirits and married in the summer of 1986. They became parents to four wonderful children: Derek Rabbers (Claire), Chelsea Rabbers, Megan Spaude (Jason), and Travis Rabbers. Jim and Mary have been blessed with three grandchildren: Wesley, Jay and Samuel Rabbers.

Jim is survived by his wife, four children, daughter and son-in-law, three grandchildren, his brothers: Thom (Rhonda) Rabbers and Dan (Diana) Rabbers, his sisters: Susan (Robert) Vandervleit and Jodi Rabbers, as well as a number of extended family members.

HONORING THE HEROIC SERVICE  
OF 2020 VETERAN OF THE YEAR  
GARTH D. LLOYD

**HON. ELISE M. STEFANIK**

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, November 3, 2021*

Ms. STEFANIK. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Garth D. Lloyd for his recognition as the 2020 Veteran of the Year.

Garth Lloyd was born and raised in Rochester, New York. In 1969, Mr. Lloyd was drafted into the U.S. Army and deployed to Vietnam with the 2nd Battalion, 14th Infantry Regi-

ment, 25th Infantry Division as an 11 Bravo, Infantryman. Coincidentally, Mr. Lloyd's former battalion is now assigned to 2nd Brigade Combat Team, 10th Mountain Division at Fort Drum.

While bravely defending his country, Mr. Lloyd was seriously wounded in action by a booby trap on February 12, 1970 and evacuated to the United States. Subsequently, Garth was medically discharged as a Specialist 4th class. For his courageous service, Mr. Lloyd was awarded the Purple Heart, Air Medal, Vietnam Service Medal, National Defense Service Medal, and Good Conduct Medal.

After the war, Mr. Lloyd continued to serve his community by working at the water treatment plant in the city of Saratoga Springs. Upon his retirement in 2012, Garth began volunteering at the Saratoga County VA Mentor Program, where he served as a mentor and friend to numerous disabled veterans. Mr. Lloyd has also spent many years volunteering his time as a docent at the New York State Military Museum. He works closely with the Docent Advisory Committee and the education opportunity program, which engages middle and high school students visiting the museum. Mr. Lloyd, and his wife Diane, have instilled their commitment to service in their son, a physician's assistant at Albany Medical Center, and their three grandchildren.

The Veteran of the Year Award is a prestigious recognition co-sponsored by the Friends of the New York State Military Museum and the Capital District of New York Chapter of the Association of the United States Army. Garth Lloyd has led a life devoted to selfless service and volunteerism and it is clear why he was chosen as the 2020 Veteran of the Year. On behalf of New York's 21st District, I would like to thank Garth for his service and congratulate him on his recognition as the 2020 Veteran of the Year.

RECOGNIZING HANEEN OMAR FOR  
HER SERVICE TO OUR COMMUNITY

**HON. JASON CROW**

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, November 3, 2021*

Mr. CROW. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the accomplishments of Haneen Omar. A brilliant entrepreneur and dedicated civil servant, Haneen has made it her life's work to aid the underprivileged and make our community a better place to live.

Many American families struggle to find quality caregiving for their loved-ones, forcing them to shoulder the immense responsibility themselves. In 2016, Haneen recognized this need in our community and founded the 2nd Home Adult Day Service Center of Aurora to provide the elderly and individuals with disabilities daytime programming, emotional support, and assistance with healthcare issues. Haneen designed 2nd Home to provide the highest quality care to these individuals so family members and caregivers can take a break and relieve stress—all while maintaining the much-needed peace of mind that their loved ones are in safe hands.

Haneen did not stop there. In 2019, she founded Helm Community Services (HCS), and this past August, HCS organized the second annual "Taste of the Middle East" festival

to celebrate the Middle Eastern culture that is such a rich part of our community. Community members from every walk of life came together to listen to Middle Eastern artists and try Middle Eastern staples like Manoshe, Turkish Coffee Cup Reading, Henna, and delicious food from local restaurants. Our community is stronger for its embrace of diversity.

Throughout Haneen's career, she has been a tireless advocate for those who are all-too-often marginalized. Driven by her mission to bring the community together—regardless of beliefs, race, or cultural background—Haneen has found unbelievable strength in differences and diversity. I congratulate Haneen on her incredible achievements and express my sincere gratitude for her dedication, leadership, and service to our community.

HONORING LAKE FOREST CHARTER  
SCHOOL OF NEW ORLEANS,  
LOUISIANA

**HON. TROY A. CARTER**

OF LOUISIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, November 3, 2021*

Mr. CARTER of Louisiana. Madam Speaker, today I rise to recognize New Orleans' own Lake Forest Charter School and its designation as a National Blue Ribbon School by the United States Department of Education.

This is the second time in the last decade that Lake Forest has received this honor, only one of eight in the entire state of Louisiana and one of 325 schools across the nation.

This recognition is particularly important because Lake Forest Charter School is fairly unique among the list of Blue Ribbon schools.

The student population is 99 percent students of color, and 71 percent of students come from economically disadvantaged backgrounds.

Lake Forest Charter School is a living example of how schools can create a space that allows their students to thrive and succeed at the highest levels.

This week, Blue Ribbon Schools are being celebrated at an awards ceremony in Washington, D.C. hosted by the Department of Education.

It is my sincere honor to add my voice to the chorus of congratulations for Lake Forest's students, teachers, and staff.

Additionally, I want to add a special acknowledgment for Mardele Simmons Early, who is a recipient of the 2021 Terrel H. Bell Award for Outstanding School Leadership.

Congratulations.

RECOGNIZING THE SERVICE OF  
CHARLES LOUIS GUBITOSI

**HON. GUS M. BILIRAKIS**

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, November 3, 2021*

Mr. BILIRAKIS. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the service of Charles Louis Gubitosi. Born on November 11, 1926 and growing up in Newfield, New Jersey. Mr. Gubitosi joined the Navy at the young age of seventeen during World War II, answering the call to serve. Upon leaving the service at the

end of the war he began working in a clothing factory producing men's suits. He met his wife on the pocket set of the factory, marrying in 1944. Mr. Gubitosi has worked tirelessly his entire life tailoring, bartending, and landscaping, and notably commuting by bus in every type of weather. Since 2000, Mr. Gubitosi has called Florida home. Our great state is lucky to have Mr. Gubitosi as a resident and I am thankful for his service and sacrifice.

#### PERSONAL EXPLANATION

### HON. TOM O'HALLERAN

OF ARIZONA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, November 3, 2021*

Mr. O'HALLERAN. Madam Speaker, unfortunately, on November 2, 2021, I was unable to vote on H.R. 4481, the Small Business 7(a) Loan Agent Transparency Act. I would have voted in favor of H.R. 4481.

#### RECOGNIZING VINSON CHAPEL AME'S 100TH YEAR OF SERVICE

### HON. ANDY LEVIN

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, November 3, 2021*

Mr. LEVIN of Michigan. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the Vinson Chapel African Methodist Episcopal Church which is celebrating its 100th year of service to the community of Clinton Charter Township, Michigan.

Vinson Chapel AME is one of Macomb County's historic Black congregations, growing out of a prayer group first organized by Lewis and Betty Vinson in 1921. The members initially met in the Vinson family's home. Soon, the budding congregation moved to an outdoor tent to accommodate a larger prayer group. After conducting services in different spaces over the years, the congregation joyfully arrived on Sunday, May 22, 1977 to their current sanctuary on Quinn Road in Clinton Township.

Over the decades, Vinson Chapel AME has established itself as an important spiritual center in Macomb County, going above and beyond to serve congregants as well as the greater community. The congregation has organized countless reading programs, educational workshops, voting drives, Census drives, and so much more. Most recently, when the COVID-19 pandemic interrupted in-person services, the church adapted to virtual livestreams to keep the congregation safe and prevent the spread of the virus. Under the determined leadership of Reverend Twylla Lucas, the church rose to meet the additional needs of the community in this challenging moment, organizing vaccination clinics and distributing essential supplies.

I am proud to have the honor of recognizing this important centennial for the Vinson Chapel African Methodist Episcopal Church. I encourage my colleagues to join me in congratulating Vinson Chapel AME on one hundred years of ministry and service.

#### PERSONAL EXPLANATION

### HON. KATHLEEN M. RICE

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, November 3, 2021*

Miss RICE of New York. Madam Speaker, I was necessarily absent from votes on Tuesday, November 2, 2021. Had I been present, I would have voted YEA on Roll Call No. 348.

#### HONORING AIREEN SNYDER AS IOWAN OF THE WEEK

### HON. CYNTHIA AXNE

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, November 3, 2021*

Mrs. AXNE. Madam Speaker, I rise today to ask the House of Representatives to join me in recognizing Aireen Snyder, a community leader and President of the Filipino American Association of Iowa, as Iowan of the Week.

Diversity is one of the greatest strengths of our state, with people from all different backgrounds coming together to form an incredible community in Iowa. There is no better way to celebrate this diversity than with Filipino Heritage Month and Aireen Snyder, who has worked tirelessly to promote the values of community and diversity throughout our state.

Arriving in Iowa from the Philippines in 2008, Aireen quickly became involved with the thriving Filipino community. She has played an active role in the Filipino American Association, chairing several committees, editing the newsletter and now is President. Perhaps most impressive was her leadership in creating a Filipino Language class. With language being such a valuable aspect of culture, Aireen developed an entire curriculum and worked with Des Moines Area Community College to host a course that was very well attended.

Aireen holds a great amount of pride for the history and legacy of the Filipino American Association of Iowa. The association formed in 1975 with the goal of promoting and enhancing cultural and heritage awareness of the Philippines among Iowans. This important mission is carried out through a variety of events and initiatives. For example, as President, Aireen has overseen the humanitarian and charitable aid that the association offers to its community, including legal assistance and college scholarships. Most notably, the organization raised \$14,000 following the "super typhoon" in the Philippines. The funds were used to support a variety of non-profit organizations in the country, including the Filipino Red Cross.

Community events are also an important aspect of the Filipino American Association of Iowa and Aireen's work as president. Events range from Christmas parties, parol lantern making, and most recently the Des Moines "Celebrasian" hosted by the Iowa Asian Alliance. The association proudly hosted three booths featuring Filipino food, clothing and traditions.

With nearly 5,000 Filipino Americans residing in Iowa, it is only fitting that we honor such an impactful leader and community builder, Aireen Snyder, for Filipino Heritage month. Her commitment to her culture and home

country is a testament to the beautiful diversity in Iowa that makes our state stronger. I am humbled and inspired by Aireen's work for the Filipino community of Iowa. It is my honor to name her Iowan of the Week.

#### PERSONAL EXPLANATION

### HON. JIM COSTA

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, November 3, 2021*

Mr. COSTA. Madam Speaker, due to a medical issue, I missed votes on the passage of H.R. 4481, the Small Business 7(a) Loan Agent Transparency Act, H.R. 4531, the 7(a) Loan Agent Oversight Act, and H.R. 4515, the Small Business Development Center Cyber Training Act of 2021. Had I been present, I would have voted YEA on Roll Call No. 351, Roll Call No. 352, and Roll Call No. 353.

#### IN RECOGNITION OF THE CARR CENTER

### HON. RASHIDA TLAIB

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, November 3, 2021*

Ms. TLAIB. Madam Speaker, today I rise to recognize the Carr Center in Detroit, Michigan as they celebrate thirty years of preserving, presenting, promoting, and developing African and African-American cultural arts traditions within our multicultural community in southeastern Michigan.

Founded in 1991 as the Arts League of Michigan, the Carr Center has worked to fulfill its mission of bringing artistic excellence with a wide array of programming to the communities of Detroit. Building upon its initial creative placemaking, the Carr Center has become a destination and hub for the performing arts in Detroit.

In order to bring outstanding artistry to the community, the Carr Center has implemented three pillars of programming—Carr Center Presents and Carr Center Contemporary focus on performing and visual arts, while the Carr Center Arts Academy offers in-school and intensive summer arts education opportunities.

Please join me in recognizing the Carr Center's numerous contributions to southeastern Michigan over the past three decades as we wish them well in the years to come. Carr Center is a true gem in the communities of Michigan's 13th District Strong.

#### CORRECTING ROLLING STONE MAGAZINE'S DEFAMATORY STATEMENTS

### HON. PAUL A. GOSAR

OF ARIZONA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, November 3, 2021*

Mr. GOSAR. Madam Speaker, I rise today to address the malicious, false, and defamatory statements printed in Rolling Stone Magazine about me.

Every statement about me in the October 24 article was false or misleading. Moreover, the

author knew they were malicious and false when he made them.

For example, the author lies and says that I offered “blanket pardons” for unknown people for crimes that had not yet occurred. First, there is no such thing as a “blanket pardon.” The author states that a “blanket pardon” can be used to convey legal immunity on a person forever in perpetuity, presumably for any crime including murder or arson. It is ridiculous to say this, but he did in fact write this, and he knew no such thing occurred and nothing like that exists. Rolling Stone did this to defame me and make it look like I was planning for violence on January 6. This is malice.

My work on pardons is a public record on file with the National Archives. For example, I wrote letters to the White House and the Office of Pardons on behalf of Stephen Bannon, former Congressman Rick Renzi, and for members of We Build the Wall. The President in fact granted pardons to Mr. Bannon and Mr. Renzi. But these pardons pertained to specific allegations in a criminal complaint or an actual conviction. These are not “blanket” pardons that forgive a person of all crimes forever, like a Papal indulgence.

The author and Rolling Stone Magazine falsely claim I planned for violence by merely attending a rally on January 6 or lending public support for this speech prior to January 6. Or by speaking out on the floor of the House under the Electoral Count Act. These allegations and statements are false, defamatory, and malicious. There is no evidence of this

because it never happened. To conflate support for election integrity, and support for the President to speak, with support for violence is false and defamatory. To then claim I planned the violence and did so to such a degree I was inducing people to commit violence with the prospect of the mythical “blanket pardon” is beyond the pale defamatory.

At this time Rolling Stone refuses to issue a correction. Indeed, it published a follow up article on October 26 doubling down on its malicious defamation.

I continue to demand a retraction. And an apology.

Rolling Stone Magazine has a history of lying and defamation. It's ivermectin story turned out to be pure fiction. So is this one about me.

Since it refuses to correct the story, retract it publicly with a full apology, I will be investigating legal options. The malicious lies this magazine has spread went viral and I received hate mail, death threats, and opprobrium across the country by people who believe what this author wrote. I will not accept this.

#### SENATE COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Title IV of Senate Resolution 4, agreed to by the Senate of February 4, 1977, calls for establishment of a system for a computerized schedule of all meetings and hearings of Senate committees, subcommittees, joint committees, and committees of conference.

This title requires all such committees to notify the Office of the Senate Daily Digest—designated by the Rules Committee—of the time, place and purpose of the meetings, when scheduled and any cancellations or changes in the meetings as they occur.

As an additional procedure along with the computerization of this information, the Office of the Senate Daily Digest will prepare this information for printing in the Extensions of Remarks section of the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD on Monday and Wednesday of each week.

Meetings scheduled for Thursday, November 4, 2021 may be found in the Daily Digest of today's RECORD.

#### MEETINGS SCHEDULED

##### NOVEMBER 16

10 a.m.

Committee on the Judiciary

To hold an oversight hearing to examine the Department of Homeland Security.  
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##### NOVEMBER 17

10 a.m.

Committee on Environment and Public Works

To hold hearings to examine the nomination of Martha Williams, of Montana, to be Director of the United States Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior.

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